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fastening arms 16 preferably made of a plastics material which end in hooks 18. In the connected condition which is shown, the hooks 18 clasp the fastener part 14 in such a manner that the flat or slightly convex upper sides 20 contact a corresponding undercut, preferably concave surface area 22 on the fastener part 14. In this condition, the inflator mount 12 is locked in place against tension in the direction of the arrow A away from the steering wheel.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 13-15 without prejudice.

Please add claims 16-19 as follows:

16. Apparatus comprising:
a gas bag module including an inflator mount and two fastening arms configured integrally with said inflator mount; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel,

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel,

said fastening arms comprising hooks having contact surface areas and said fastener part comprising a concave contact surface area into which said contact surface areas of said hooks engage in said connected condition.

17. Apparatus comprising:

a gas bag module including an inflator mount and two fastening arms configured integrally with said inflator mount; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel,

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel,

said fastener part and said fastening arms comprising ramps/corresponding to each other.

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18. Apparatus comprising:

a gas bag module including an inflator mount and two fastening arms configured integrally with said inflator mount; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel,

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel,

said fastening arms comprising hooks having contact surface areas and said fastener part comprising a contact surface area into which said contact surface areas of said hooks engage in said connected condition,

said fastener part and said fastening arms comprising ramps corresponding to each other,

said ramps of said fastener part including an angle and said hooks sliding back towards the apex of said angle should the connection fail to be made.

19. Apparatus comprising:

2 a gas bag module including an inflator mount having two fastening arms, said inflator mount and said fastening arms being formed from a first continuous piece of material and not two pieces joined together; and

a fastener part configured integrally with a steering wheel, said fastener part and said steering wheel being formed from a second continuous piece of material and not two pieces joined together;

said fastening arms entering into a snap-action connection with said fastener part and clasping said fastener part in a connected condition to connect said gas bag module and said inflator mount with the steering wheel.
